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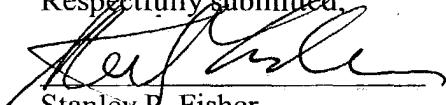
**REQUEST FOR PRIORITY
UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 119
AND THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION**

Sir:

In the matter of the above-captioned application for a United States patent, notice is hereby given that the Applicant claims the priority date of July 25, 2002, the filing date of the corresponding Japanese patent application 2002-215933.

A certified copy of Japanese patent application 2002-215933 will be submitted upon receipt from the Applicant. Acknowledgment of receipt of the certified copy is respectfully requested in due course.

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